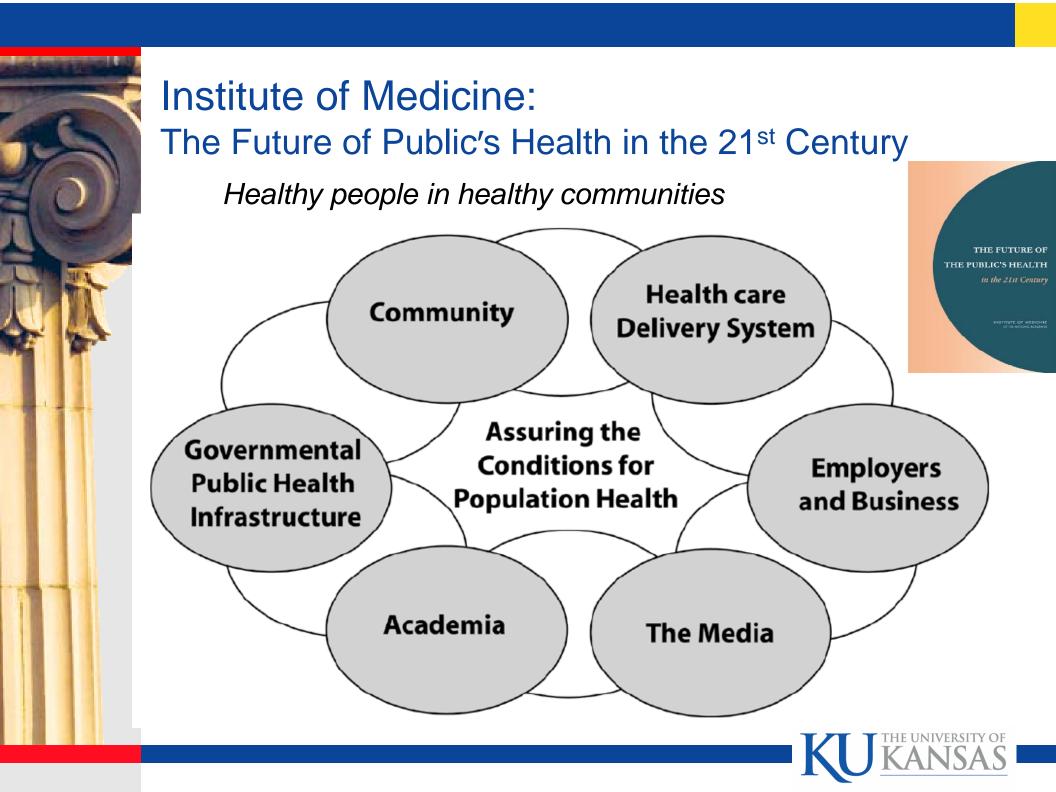


# THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

# Kansas University Public Health Education

Creating a Network of Scholars Dedicated to the Health of Kansans





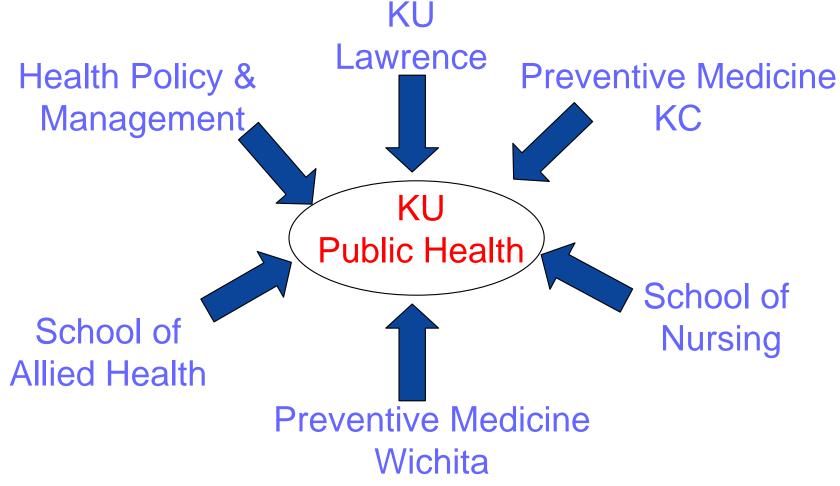
#### 3 functions of Public Health Academia

- Educate and train public health workers
- Conduct basic and applied research
- Engage in community, public, and professional service





# Diverse Public Health resources across KU



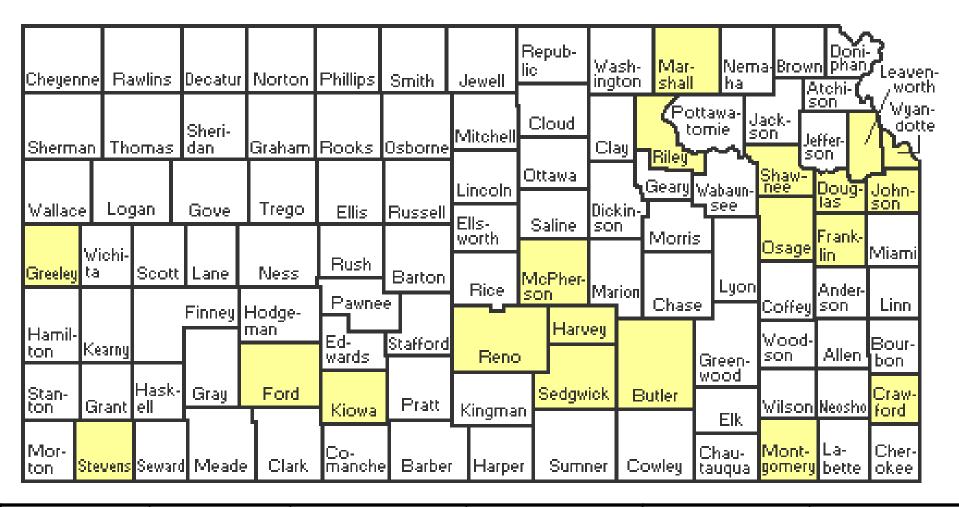




# Master's in Public Health



# **KU-MPH Graduates and Students – County of Residence**



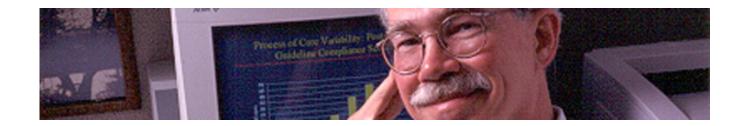
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Crawford - 1	Greeley - 1	Kiowa - 1	McPherson - 3	Riley - 1	Wyandotte - 4
Douglas – 16	Harvey - 1	Leavenworth - 4	Montgomery - 1	Sedgwick - 29	



#### Master's Health Services Administration

- 25 year anniversary
- > 400 graduates
- CAHME accredited
- Nationally ranked





Improving health and health services for our community





### Health of the Public 9 years > 1,500 Medical students trained

- Infection Control
- Health finance
- Legislation
- Quality improvement
- Health education
- Preventive Medicine
- Community liaisons



Moving beyond individual patients to address population-wide dynamics influencing health





# Workforce training









"Dedicated to the Enhancement of and Leadership in Population Health Improvement"







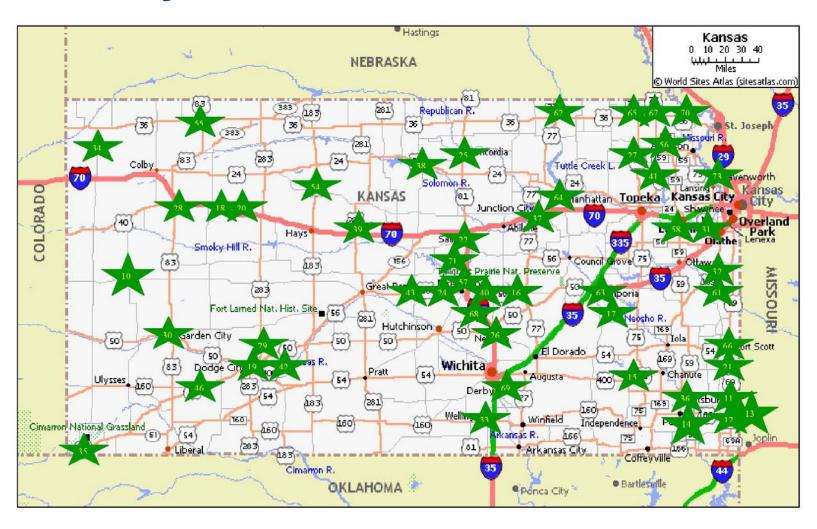
Public Health Nursing







# **Primary Care Practice Network**



Addressing: smoking, cancer screening, obesity, and other preventive care issues





## KU Public Health - Service Highlights

- KPHA leadership positions
- Kansas Cancer Registry
- Heartland Centers for Public Health Preparedness
- Sedgwick County Health Department (Dr. Fredrickson)
- Wyandotte County Health Department (Dr. Greiner)
- Public Health Workforce Development
- Kansas Comprehensive Cancer Plan
- Pandemic Influenza Workgroup
- Kansas Diabetes Advisory Council
- Kansas Heart Disease Advisory Council
- Tobacco Free Kansas Coalition
- Medicaid Drug Utilization
- 2006 CSG Innovations Award
- JayDoc





## Kansas: Challenges to Public Health

- Aging population
- Chronic diseases
- Health disparities
  - Rural
  - Economic
  - Racial/ethnic
- Rising health care costs
  - Threat to economic viability





# Kansas Public Health Workforce Assessment 2005

- 665 responses
- Training needs
  - Emergency preparedness 59%
  - Basic public health skills 52%
  - Community dimensions of practice 52%
- Need training to be accessible
- Other issues
  - Aging workforce
  - Unfilled positions
  - Credentialing





#### KU Public Health - Vision

The Kansas Public Health program will bring together the public health resources at the University of Kansas to create world-class **education**, **service and research** programs to improve the health and health services delivery in the State of Kansas and the nation.





#### Academia

#### Wikipedia

- The word comes from the <u>akademeia</u> just outside ancient <u>Athens</u>, where the <u>gymnasium</u> was made famous by <u>Plato</u> as a *center of learning*. The sacred space, dedicated to the goddess of wisdom, <u>Athene</u>, had formerly been an <u>olive</u> grove, hence the expression "the groves of Academe".
- By extension Academia has come to connote the cultural accumulation of <u>knowledge</u>, its development and transmission across generations and its practitioners and transmitters.





#### IOM recommendations for 'Academia'

- Create new linkages between schools and practice
- Develop new relationships within and among universities
- Strengthen knowledge about international health and minorities (disparities/rural)
- Develop new training programs
- Conduct basic, applied, evaluation, and implementation research

The Future of the Public's Health, Institute of Medicine, 2003





# 4 Goals (DRAFT)

- Create a network of Scholars
- Establish a pipeline for public health
- Maintain and enhance the skills of our current public health workforce
- Enhance public health training for non-public health professionals





#### Scholar

#### Merriam Webster

 1 : a person who attends a <u>school</u> or studies under a teacher

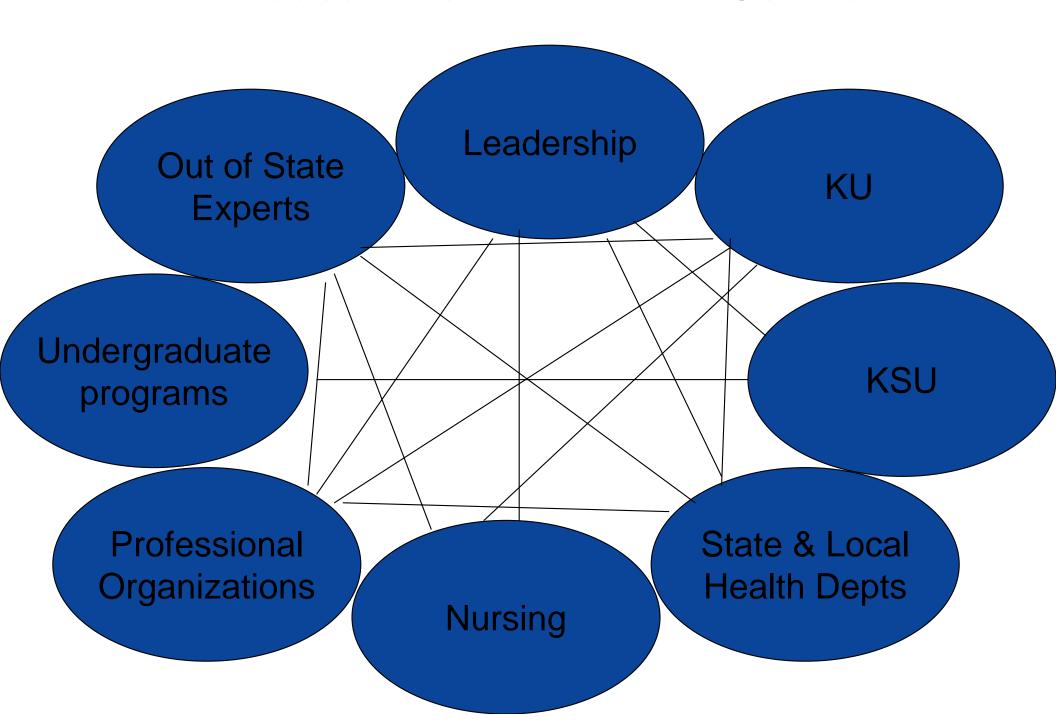
2 a: a person who has done advanced study in a

special field **b**: a learned person

3: a holder of a scholarship



#### An Educational Network of Scholars





### Network of scholars - accomplishments

- ■KPHLI 4<sup>th</sup> year
  - Capstone projects
  - Peer mentors
- Kansas Public Health Certificate program
- 199 MPH graduates
- Practitioners as teachers
- Practicum experiences
- On-line training

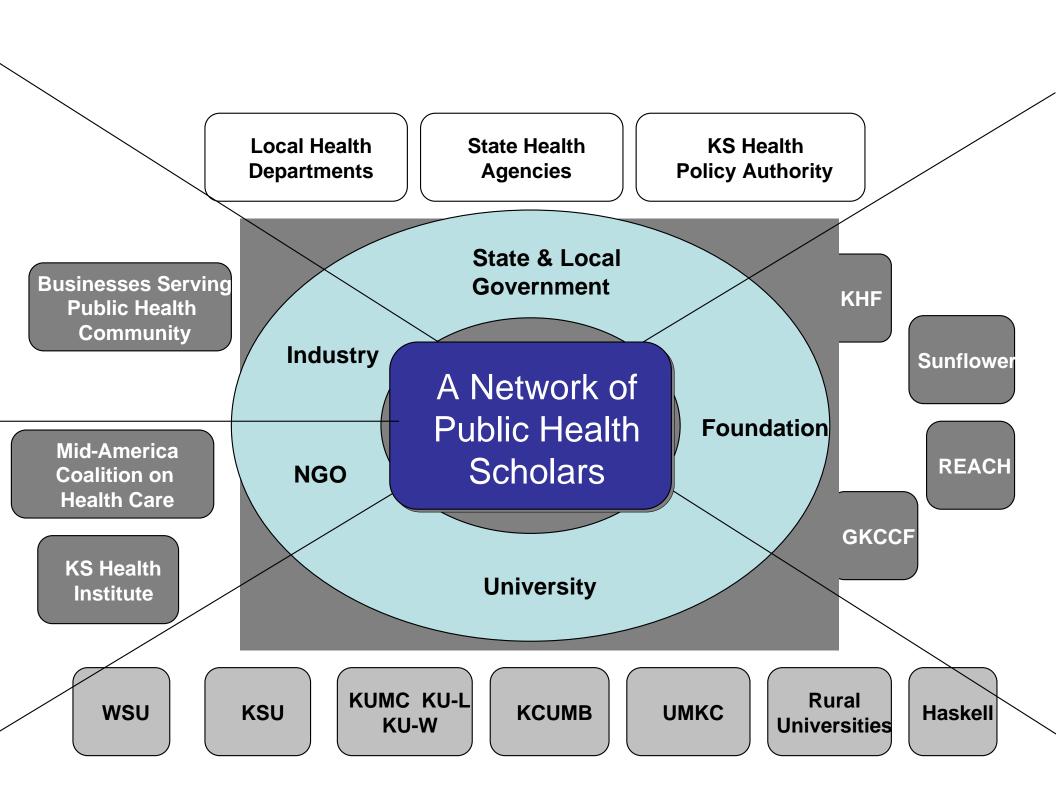




#### #1 Create a network of Scholars

- Expanded educational role of public health practitioners
- Develop shared courses
- Enhance distance learning technology
- Public health grand rounds
- Develop more advanced training for public health practitioners
- Establish communications & guidance for the network







## #2 Establish a pipeline for public health

- Rationale
  - Workforce
  - Diversity & location

#### Public Health Pipeline

Undergraduate	Feeder courses Summer practicums	
Graduate	Scholarships On-site education	
Practicums	Applied learning in the community	





# #3 Maintain and enhance the skills of our current public health workforce

- Learner-centered education
  - What you need
  - When you need it
  - Where you want it
  - How you want it





## #4 Enhance public health training for nonpublic health professionals

- Undergraduate training (see #2 above)
- Nursing
- Administrators
  - MHSA
- Joint degree programs
  - MD-MPH
  - JD-MPH
  - RN-MPH
  - DVM-MPH
- Non-degree students





# Your role today

- Identify your role as a scholar
  - Teacher
  - Learner
- Assist me in my scholarship
- Contact:

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